IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS EL PASO DIVISION

LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN

CITIZENS, ET AL.,

Plaintiffs,

V.

GREG ABBOTT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE
OF TEXAS SUED IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY;
AND JOHN SCOTT, SECRETARY OF STATE OF
TEXAS OF TEXAS SUED IN HIS OFFICIAL
CAPACITY,

Defendants.

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Defendants.

ORDER

Before the Court is Defendants' Partially Opposed Motion to Consolidate this action with Wilson v. Texas, No. 1:21-cv-943-RP-JES-JVB (W.D. Tex.), Voto Latino v. Scott, No. 1:21-cv-965-RP (W.D. Tex.), MALC v. Texas, No. 1:21-cv-988-RP-JES-JVB (W.D. Tex.), and Brooks v. Abbott, No. 1:21-cv-991-LY-JES-JVB (W.D. Tex.). The Court has considered the Motion and is of the opinion that it should be GRANTED.

The Court finds that this case and the four other actions substantially overlap on substantive issues. The Court also finds that this case was the first of these cases to have been filed.

As this is the first-filed case, the Fifth Circuit's first-to-file rule directs that this Court decide how the subsequently-filed cases should proceed. The Court finds that these cases should be consolidated because they involve common questions of law and fact, and because the other relevant factors weigh in favor of consolidation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Defendants' Opposed Motion to Consolidate is hereby GRANTED. The Court hereby ORDERS that *Wilson v. Texas*, No. 1:21-cv-943-RP-JES-JVB (W.D. Tex.), *Voto Latino v. Scott*, No. 1:21-cv-965-RP (W.D. Tex.), *MALC v. Texas*, No. 1:21-cv-988-RP-JES-

JVB (W.D. Tex.), and <i>Brooks v. Abbott</i> , No. 1:21-cv-991-LY-JES-JVB (W.D. Tex.) be cons	olidated into
LULAC et al. v. Abbott et al., 3:21-cv-259-DCG-JES-JVB (W.D.Tex.).	

IT IS ORDERED that all future filings be filed in LULAC et al. v. Abbott et al., 3:21-cv-259-DCG-JES-JVB (W.D.Tex.).

DATE:	
	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE